Sunday 13th February 2022 – 3rd Sunday before Lent – Proper 2

WELCOME TO THE UNITED BENEFICE OF ST NICHOLAS GODSTONE, ST STEPHEN SOUTH GODSTONE AND ST JOHN BLINDLEY HEATH

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Sunday 13th February 2022:- St Stephen's, South Godstone Communion Service only –(Not on YouTube) 9.00 am

<u>Sunday 13th February 2022</u>:- Communion Service at St John's Church <u>10.30 am</u>

<u>Sunday 13th February 2022</u>:- Morning Prayer at St Nicholas Church 10.30 am

Sunday 20th February 2022:- St Stephen's, South Godstone - Communion Service & on YouTube 9 am

<u>Sunday 20th February 2022</u>:- Communion Service at St John's Church 10.30 am

<u>Sunday 20th February 2022</u>:- Communion Service at St Nicholas Church 10.30 am

Monday 28th February 2022:- Funeral for Daphne Hodge at Surrey & Sussex Crematorium 2.15 pm

PRAYER LIST

St Nicholas' - Daphne Hughes, David Collins, Roger Bedford, Ethan, Stan Rodgers, Felicity Gresser.

St John's - Hugh Hunter, Janie Reed, Basil McFarland, Nicky Tredennick, Daphne Faulkner, Fiona Mackenzie, The Benefice link with Rutendo in Zimbabwe

St Stephen's- Alan Kearton

PLEASE HOLD IN YOUR PRAYER, THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

DAPHNE HODGE

NOTICES

During the next weeks, we will be continuing with the internet services on Sundays at 9.00 am.

Other services as shown under Dates for Diary.

Masks are required at this time when attending Services in Church

FOODBANK UPDATE

The Foodbank at St Matthew's, Redhill remains very busy, supporting about 110 families a week. The ending of the Furlough scheme and the reduction in Universal Credit has probably increased the need.

Donations can be left at The Rectory

There is a shopping list on https://www.redhillfoodbank.org.uk/shopping-list which will tell you the items that are needed most. Please NO perishable food, out of date food, alcohol or medicines.

Most needed items THIS week:Meat (incl. Hot Dogs), Cereals, Rice, Coffee,
Custard.

Please also consider donating money instead of food as this enables stocks to be topped up as needed. Details are on the Foodbank website.

Please contact Liz Windridge for more information email liz@godstonebenefice.org.uk

<u>LENT COURSE</u> – Lent Study House Groups will start on <u>Monday March 7th</u> and continue for the following **4** Mondays.

The afternoon group will meet at Underhills Cottage 2 – 3.30 pm and an evening group at 18 Bell Meadow 7.30 - 9.00 pm.

The study booklet is called Superstar, written by Revd David Wilbourne. We studied one of his courses on a previous occasion and found it both interesting and helpful. I think it would be a good preparation for Easter, so why not give a house group a try? No previous experience necessary. Please ask me in you would like to know more. **Rita 01883 743032.**



The Collect

Eternal God, whose Son went among the crowds and brought healing with his touch: help us to show his love, in your Church as we gather together, and by our lives as they are transformed into the image of Christ our Lord.

The Liturgy of the Word

Thus says the Lord: Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals and make mere flesh their strength, whose hearts turn away from the Lord. They shall be like a shrub in the desert, and shall not see when relief comes. They shall live in the parched places of the wilderness, in an uninhabited salt land. Blessed are those who trust in the Lord, whose trust is the Lord. They shall be like a tree planted by water, sending out roots by the stream. It shall not fear when heat comes, and its leaves shall stay green; in the year of the drought it is not anxious, and it does not cease to bear fruit. The heart is devious above all else: it is perverse-who can understand it? I the Lord test the mind and search the heart, to give to all according to their ways, according to the fruit of their doings.

Jeremiah 17.5-10

This is the word of the Lord Thanks be to God

<u>Gospel</u>

Please remain standing for the Gospel Reading

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke. Glory to you, O Lord He came down with them and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseased; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for a power came out of him and healed all of them.

Then he looked up at his disciples and said: 'Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. 'Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled. 'Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh.

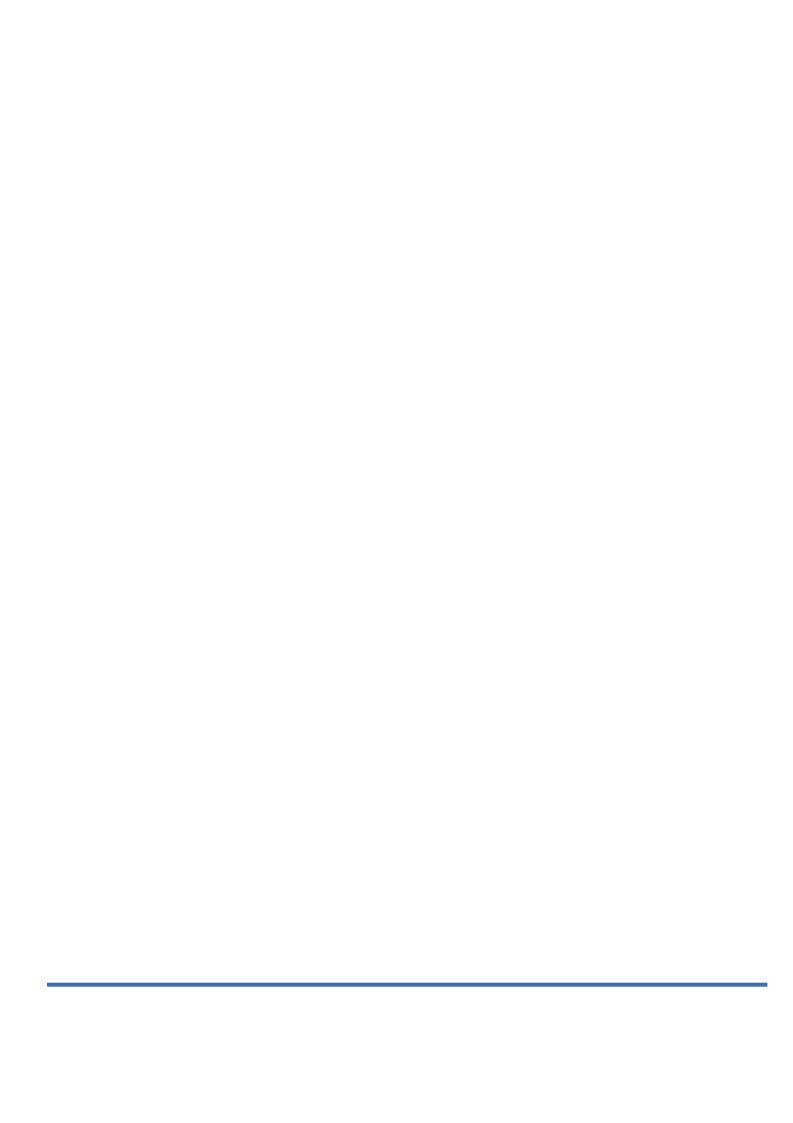
'Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets. 'But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation. 'Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry. 'Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep.

'Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.

Luke 6.17-26

Post Communion

Merciful Father, who gave Jesus Christ to be for us the bread of life, that those who came to him should never hunger: draw us to the Lord in faith and love, that we may eat and drink with him at his table in the kingdom, where he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.





GARDEN PLANTS FROM SALLY!

- she tells us that as there is no return to Café Connect in the near future, She will take orders by phone or email (details below) and will kindly deliver them to our homes as last year or they can be collected from her nursery in Felbridge by arrangement.

Sally says that there will be other plants available such as Sweet Pea and Vegetable plants.

Do contact her to find out the up to date list of plants now available

Danecourt Nurseries, 81 Copthorne Road, Felbridge RH19 2PB. 01342 326542. sallyhudson81@gmail.com



